FISCAL NOTE

HB 934 - SB 1172

February 27, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Environment and Conservation to give public notice within 30 days of receiving an application for a license to store or dispose of radioactive material, at the applicant's expense, and to hold a public meeting within 45 days of such notice. Requires the Department to act on the application within 90 days after the end of the comment period. Requires the county legislative body of the county and the governing municipality in which the facility will be located to be represented at the community meeting and permits submission of report to the Department.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$16,800 One-Time \$180,600 Recurring Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant - Permissive

Assumptions:

- In FY04, the Department issued 608 new licenses and amendments to licenses.
- The Department estimates local governments will submit a report for 15% of the applications. Reports will be reviewed and evaluated.
- The Department will require three additional positions.
- Additional expenses for travel, printing, court reporter, supplies, office landscaping and PC/software, office supplies, rentals and insurance and phone and network costs.
- Local governments will incur increased expenditures if they choose to issue a report.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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